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### President's Message

As I came back from a vacation to Quebec, vacation partly spent taking care of my 91 years old mom, I learned with surprise and sadness of the passing of **May**, spouse of **Norm Belsten**, currently Governor of CAWMC and recorder extraordinaire. I have never met **May** but I recall **Norm** telling me of the daily rendezvous he had with her, at 4:00PM, where **May** and him would sip a glass of wine and discuss the happenings in their lives. On behalf of our members, I offer our deepest sympathies to **Norm** and his family.



Some of our members issue wooden Christmas cards and anyone thinking of doing the same this year should contact their supplier as soon as possible since the holidays will be here soon. Any time you issue a wood for any occasion, please ensure you provide a picture of the wood, along with details (such as quantity made) to **Norm Belsten** for the CAWMC catalogue and to our Editor ([jblackman@rogers.com](mailto:jblackman@rogers.com)) with the details of number issued, manufacturer (etc.) along with details of availability if you wish to make them available to other collectors.

Should you choose to donate any of your own woods for a CAWMC 'featured wood of the month', please forward 100 of them to **Ross Kingdon** at 12 Peter St. Amaranth, ON, L9W 5Z1.

It is time to renew your membership and a CAWMC "renewal form" is included in this issue of TT, please use it to send in your renewal **by January 2016**. Please include your current e-mail to receive the Timber Talk electronically.

I would like to remind everybody that all the votes regarding the motion appearing in the September and October issues of the TT should be sent to **Al Munro by November 15, 2015**, to be counted.

Please consider contributing an article to the TT. The diversity of our areas of collecting is what keeps the bulletin alive.

To our American members I wish a Happy Thanksgiving.

You can reach me at **France D. Waychison**, P.O. Box 466, Timmins ON P4N 7E3 or at [france@waychison.com](mailto:france@waychison.com).

Keep well.  
**France**

[Imagine if a whole turkey only cost a wooden nickel!!!]





**History of CAWMC  
Timber Talk  
Newsletter  
Editors**

**Jan. 1975 – Sept. 1979**  
Garry Braunwarth

**Oct. 1979 – July 1981**  
Stan Cluthe

**Aug. 1981 – July 1983**  
Albert Kasman

**Aug. 1983 – Oct. 1992**  
Garry Braunwarth

**Nov. 1992 – Dec. 1994**  
Lou Vesh

**Jan. 1995 – Aug. 2008**  
Ross Kingdon  
(14 years!!!)



Above is a Dan Gosling photo  
of Ross Kingdon

**Sept. 2008 – Dec. 2009**  
Tony Hine

**Jan. 2010 – Aug. 2010**  
Norm Belsten

**Sept. 2010 – Current**  
Judy Blackman, F.O.N.A.



## Toronto Coin Fall Expo

The Toronto Coin Fall Expo was held October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 at the Toronto Reference Library. The first 20 paid admissions on Friday and Saturday received this special keep-sake on entry to the show (Special Edition Wooden Coins).



Also at this event, during the 2-day auction hosted by Geoffrey Bell Auctions, an “unparalleled” lot of Wooden Tokens with over 3,000 woods from Canada and the World hammered down at \$400 Cdn. (before auction premium, taxes and shipping). At 3,000 this is 13.3¢ each, but since this is over 3,000 in the lot, it would be less. The lot consists of over 17 packed binders. Cited as a “dream lot for the wooden token collector including a few specimens of rare and hard to find woods. A once in a lifetime find for the beginning collector. This is part of the Albert Kasman Collection. Albert was a Toronto based collector spending a lifetime establishing an elite collection of Canadian Tire Money and wooden token collection.”



## Canada Wide Woods Under New Ownership

Official announcement was made September 7, 2015 confirming our CAWMC Vice-President **James Williston** (Calgary, Alberta) acquired the **Canada Wide Woods** business from founding owners **Bill Cousins** and **Larry Walker**. All stamping equipment, inventory, customer dies and the website ([www.canadawidewoods.net](http://www.canadawidewoods.net)) are included in this acquisition. To contact **James**, e-mail [jawilliston@shaw.ca](mailto:jawilliston@shaw.ca), call 403-461-2663, or send to postal address Canada Wide Woods #512-881 15th. Ave. SW, Calgary, Alberta T2R 1R8, Canada. With **James'** long roots and history in numismatics, we are sure he will continue the long-standing success story of CWW. Happy Retirement to **Bill** and **Larry**! Thank you both for many years of great customer service as a highly reputable supplier.





## DIY 50th Wedding Anniversary Party from Salty Bison

**Salty Bison** is the brain child of **Devenie Boyer** and **Shawna Andreassen**. Its humble beginnings consisted of a tiny garage and a messy kitchen table. With 10 kids between the two of them their "work from home" experience has left a trail of mismatched shoes, watermelon rinds and power tools. When their husbands are in charge of the "littles" you can often spot them prowling through scrap yards and thrift stores. Their upcycled custom work has appeared in restaurants, businesses and homes across the country. And how do they accomplish this you ask...with a steady diet of mint brownies and bruschetta. Their items are sold in their etsy shop and at major handcrafted events throughout the western states.

This past weekend (Sept. 7, 2013) my siblings and I threw a party celebrating our parents' 50th Wedding Anniversary! Between the efforts of us all and the magical land of Pinterest, we were able to make it happen. First my brother set up the base structures for us in my parents orchard, (i.e. tables, chairs, backdrops, lights) so we could then go in and fluff it up a bit with some décor. My sister-in-law is a pro when it comes to a dessert table. There were non-stop amounts of gourmet cupcakes, fruit and other delicious desserts. We borrowed the burlap table cloth from a friend and my SIL had those display holders from events she's done in the past. My brother is the tech-savvy child of the bunch, being a photographer he took all the pictures and also was able to set up a music system. My sister created the centerpieces and was a whiz in the kitchen making the ridiculous amounts of side dishes and her husband fired up the Traegers and smoked the tri-tip that was so tender it melted in your mouth. My other SIL saved the day with her potato salad and penmanship. I couldn't write a menu on a chalkboard to save my life! The chalkboard by the way is thrifted and actually a mirror in its former life. I just put chalkboard paint on the remaining back board using a foam brush. And of course all the nieces and nephews were our little minions, running and doing anything we asked. They were all such a great help! I spend most of my efforts doing many small projects that had big visual impact. I first got an engineer print made of my parents wedding day, and then backed it and framed it out with reclaimed wood. Then I put together a memory tree. I used a large galvanized pot, burlap ribbon, decorative moss and some branches I found out in the orchard. Each guest wrote their favourite memory of our parents on a tag and then hung it on the tree. Then I made an easy lacy fabric swag to hang on the old wooden barn doors a friend let us borrow. I just took strips of old white fabric and lace curtains I had on hand and knotted them across a thick piece of twine. I also put together some Parking chalkboard arrow signs using my Salty Bison skills and reclaimed wood. I tried my hand at personalized chalkboard art too. Note the last line...my Pops is a potato farmer. We wanted to give everyone that attended our "token" of appreciation so I had these little wooden tokens made to help remember the event. We topped some of the cupcakes with them and spread them out on the tables. I'm going to add a little magnet to the back of mine and put it on the fridge. And last of all I made an oversigned "50" out of foam board, cardboard and duct tape. Then I spray-painted it gold and hung it at the end of the orchard. We had several people come up to us and comment on how fun the atmosphere was and the enjoyment of the food and evening. All in all, I think everyone attending had a great time! It seems odd to be able to share my parents' anniversary celebration on such a huge platform (such as Thirty Handmade Days), but I'm going to use it while I can and say Happy Anniversary MOM and DAD!!!! You're the best!!! XOXOXO



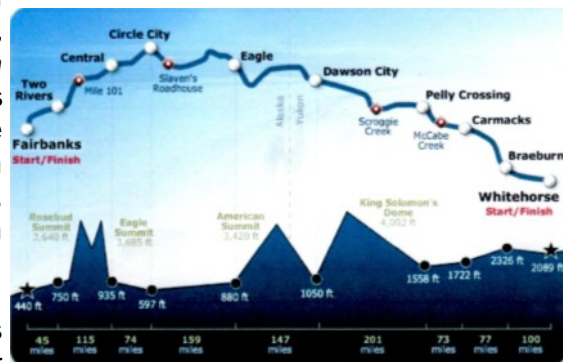
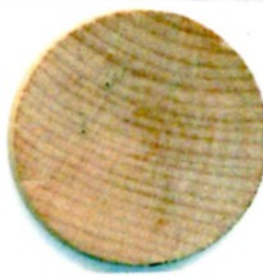
## Yukon Quest Wood by David "Rusty" Phillips

This innocent looking wood has a bit of a story behind it, in that, to the best of the author's knowledge, this is believed to be the only wood ever produced for and issued by the Yukon Quest organization(s) over the 32 plus years of the existence of these "international" organizations.

The Yukon Quest International Sled Dog Race is a grueling, 1000 mile race for dog teams and their mushers, held annually in February, since 1984, and run, in even numbered years from Fairbanks, Alaska, to Whitehorse, Yukon, and, in odd numbered years from Whitehorse, Yukon, to Fairbanks, Alaska (see map attached for race route). The race takes from 9–14 days for teams to complete. Weather conditions and course conditions being the determinates of the length of time needed (not to mention stamina of both dogs and drivers!!). The race is supported by two interlocking organizations, one in Fairbanks, and one in Whitehorse. As can be appreciated, both groups are constantly fund raising to cover costs and to provide prize money.

This wood, since it is dated, 1996, was produced by / for the Fairbanks organizing committee. It was for a fund raising project, e.g. a poker tournament was held and the woods were sold to participants to use as poker chips. Unfortunately, how many woods were originally purchased by the committee, and what the selling price of each wood was to poker tournament participants, has been lost over the ensuing years, but it is reasonable to believe that as many as 5,000 (maybe even up to 10,000) were purchased. Also, a "selling price" to poker players could easily have been \$1.00 or up to \$5.00 for each "chip." There was only the one order placed and received, so there are no "varieties." The wood is the standard 1-1/2" (or 38 mm) in size. It is uniface and c/w black ink printing and picture on it's one side.

My Thanks are extended to Marti Steury, Exec. Dir., Fairbanks office, Yukon Quest International, for supplying the information re the origin and use of the wood. Much appreciated Marti!!



**Editor's Note:** Each year the Yukon Quests hosts the White Ram Poker Tournament in Dawson City as one of its many fundraisers. Their dinner and raffle fundraiser generates a net \$8,000-10,000; and the tournament would be equal or better to that result.

In 1996 the Yukon Quest 1000 Mile Sled Race was won by **John Schandemeier** (#17 in the picture below) who completed the race in 12 days, 16 hours, 6 minutes. John also received a Mayor's Award that same year. Additionally, the 1996 Veterinarian's Choice Award went to John for demonstrating outstanding canine care for his dogs throughout the race, in the best spirit of the Yukon Quest. This award is a legacy for aspiring mushers to emulate in the humane treatment and care of their team, and race veterinarians select the winner. The 1996 Golden Harness Award went to John's "**Gin Gin**", as the Champion Lead Dog and Gin Gin received a new golden harness and a meal of raw steak at the Finish & Awards Banquet.

The Yukon Quest Sportsmanship 1996 Award was presented to the musher exhibiting the best sportsmanship along the trailer, and the selection is made by fellow mushers. The winner was **Mark May**. The Challenge of the North 1996 Award was presented to **Doug Harris**, a musher who most exemplifies the "Spirit of the Yukon Quest", a spirit that compels one to challenge themselves and persevere, and the winner is selected by race officials.





## Don's Canadian & Other Special Woods

With the assistance of **Robert Gabriel**, your Editor (as a member of IOWMC) was able to acquire most of the 1970-1980s Canadian woods from the collection of the late **Donald A. Wilkinson** (of Louisiana). When **Don** passed away, his good friend **Joe Furford** (of Maryland) acquired his wood collection. Here are some of the surprises in the box:



This 1995 wood is listed in the CAWMC catalogue as 2860-009 and there were 125 issued PU / PU 62 x 90 flats. At the time of their **45th Wedding Anniversary** **Harley** was in his 77th year and **Jemima** in her 73rd year. **Harvey Isenor** married **Jemima Maclean** in Cape Breton (Nova Scotia) 1950 and later they would reside in Sydney River.

**Harley Scott Isenor** was born 1919 to parents **Lewis Ferris Isenor** (who was born 1887) and **Grace Janet Rachael** (nee Nieforth, born 1887), and he passed away Friday, August 22, 2003 — just 5 months after losing his beloved **Jemima**. His 7 siblings included 4 sisters and 3 brothers: **Margaret Lena Turner**, **Fenton Nieforth**, **Ruth Adelia** (who married Allen MacDonald), **Mildred Grace Shewfelt**, **Donald Lewis** (who married Jean), **Dorothy May** (who married Earl Stretch), and **Ferris Walter** (who married Audrey) were raised in Carrolls Corner. **Harley** and **Jemima** had 4 children, 3 daughters and 1 son: **Janis** ("Janice" who married John MacInnis), **Margaret**, **Adelia** (now named Trenchard) and **Fenton** (who married Gayle).

**Harley** was "Boppa" (grandpa) to **Merrill Katherine** and **David Harley Isenor**. **Harley** was employed with Municipal Ready-Mix for over 40 years retiring in 1982. He was very active in his church, and a member of the Men's Brotherhood, original member of the Sydney River Volunteer Fire Department, and a charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Cape Breton Golden "K", and performed volunteer work for Meals-on-Wheels. He belong to a number of other groups including the Canadian Numismatic Association (now the R.C.N.A.).

**Jemima Isenor** (nee **MacLean**) was born in 1923 and passed away on Sunday, March 16, 2003, at home. She was born in Orangedale to **Murdoch Angus MacLean** and **Sarah Mae MacLean** (nee **MacDonald**). **Jemima** was a graduate of the Glace Bay General Hospital, in 1942, and did post graduate studies at McGill University in Montreal. During her nursing career, she worked at Inverness, Glace Bay and Sydney City Hospital, retiring as nursing supervisor in 1979. She was also a Sunday school teacher, and volunteered in several other community and church roles. **Jemima's** 6 siblings included 4 brothers and 2 sisters: **Neil** (married to Jessie), **Angus**, **John**, **Gordon**, **Elizabeth "Bessie" MacNeil**, and **Alice Whalen**. **Jemima** would give birth to her first child in 1954.



This is a 1981 38mm wood for the *Argentium Coin Company* (ACC) in Sherwood Park, Alberta. There are two varieties listed in the catalogue: 8850-001A BL / BR quantity 1,500; and the other 8850-002 BL / BL quantity 1,000. Your Editor was unable to raise any information on the company. Not sure why there is an A after the 001, perhaps the 002 was supposed to read 001B?



There are two 1991 woods listed in the CAWMC catalogue. 5670-038 is Ontario Regiment R.C.A.C. (Oshawa, Ontario) with 60 issued L-B / L-B/R 62 x 100 flat. 5670-039 has an issue of 40 BL / BL-R (same size flat). This wood recognizes the 1866-1991 125th Anniversary recognizes the R.C.A.C. as a Primary Reserve armoured reconnaissance regiment of the Canadian Army. The unit is based in downtown Oshawa. Formed in 1866, and more commonly known as the

"Ontarios", "black cats", or "ONT R" (pronounced "ON-tar"), the regiment ranks among the oldest continuously serving Reserve (Militia) regiments in Canada and is one of the senior armoured regiments in the Royal Canadian Armoured Corps. Your Editor has no info as to who issued the wood.





CAWMC #5670-029, issued 100, GR / GR 90 x 140 flat—Obverse: "THE PORTAGE FLYER" 1904—1959 MERRY CHRISTMAS 1988. Reverse: Ed and Gwen Keetch 77 Bond St. West, Oshawa, Ont. L1G 1A6 Canada



CAWMC #5670-030, issued 100, R / R 90 x 140 flat—Obverse: "The Portage Flyer" 1904—1959 Merry Christmas (date white-out). Reverse: Merry Christmas 1989 from Ed and Gwen Keetch 77 Bond St. West, Oshawa, Ont., Canada L1G 1A6 "THE PORTAGE RAILWAY" So far as we know, the PORTAGE RAILWAY is the smallest Commercially Operated Railway in the world. It was chartered in 1900, during the reign of Queen Victoria. It is governed by a President and Board of Directors. The Canadian National Railways System, America's largest, has 40,000 miles track. The Portage Railway System, the smallest, has 1 1/8 miles. Two locomotives, of 17 and 21 tons, draw the rolling stock, which consists of two passenger cars, two box-cars and two flat cars. The track is 42 inches.

Research beyond what is written on the wood:

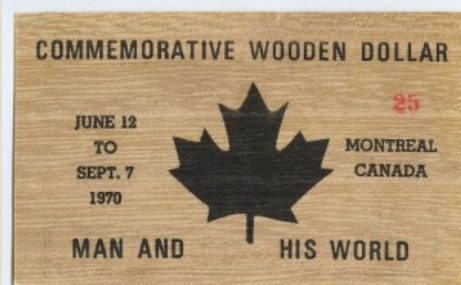
The Portage Flyer steam train began its proud legacy as the world's smallest commercial railroad, operating from 1904 until 1959 in Dwight, Ontario. Transportation in Muskoka around the early 1900's meant for "some fun with steam" as visitors and supplies chugged along The Muskoka River aboard the Steamship Algonquin from Huntsville through Fairy Lake onto North Portage at the far end of Peninsula Lake. And that is where The Portage Flyer took over.



The train served as (as its name suggests) a portage vehicle operating on 1 1/8 mile of narrow gauge track between what is still called North and South Portage. With 170 feet of elevation variance between Fairy Lake and Lake of Bays, dredging was not an option and a lock system would have proven too costly. So the Flyer was responsible for providing transport of everything from mail, cargo, building supplies and tourists to South Portage where the steamship Iroquois carried the last leg onto such lavish resorts as *The Britannia Inn*, *The Wa Wa Hotel* and the most celebrated *Bigwin Inn*. In the 1990's the Portage Flyer was purchased from St. Thomas where it operated as The Pinnafore Railway and relocated closer to its origin at Muskoka Heritage Place. Thanks to countless volunteer efforts and generous donations, track was laid and the Rotary Village Station was completed and equipped with a telegraph office. On featured days they're able to allow visitors to create a message to be wired down the line to end of the track at Fairy Lake Station where it would be waiting upon the Flyer's arrival. They operate the Portage Flyer steam train from the beginning of July until the end of August, Tuesday through Saturday and offer 4 runs per day at 12:00, 1:00, 2:00 and 3:00 pm along 1 km of track. There is a similar train system running from downtown Waterloo to downtown St. Jacobs (Ontario).

**Edwin Donald Keetch** was born to parents **Herman Turner Keetch** (born 1893 South Portage, Lake-of-Bays, Muskoka District) and **Elizabeth Keetch** (nee Farrell, born 1891 in Oshawa). He grew to a man who then married **Gwendolyn Mildred Campbell**. **Gwendolyn** is the daughter of **Matthew** and **Mary Campbell**. Evidently there were 3 children from this union, but your Editor was unable to locate their names. As well, all indications are that **Ed** and **Gwen** continue to reside in Oshawa (no obituaries found, although they would be in their late 80s / early 90s, your Editor expects).





Your Editor could not find this wood in the CAWMC catalogue, possibly because it was issued by a U.S. party C. E. Ziegler, Jr. of Port Huron (Michigan), even though it's clearly about a Canadian site. Obverse is numbered 25 in red, but could not find a record of how many were issued. This commemorates the MAN AND HIS WORLD in Montreal (Canada) from June 12 to Sept. 7, 1970. The wood was issued to "CURRENT SUBSCRIBERS OF SPORTS INFORMATION SERIES WOOD PIECES".

After EXPO 67 ended in October 1967, the site and most of the pavilions continued on as an exhibition called MAN AND HIS WORLD, open during the summer months from 1968 until 1984. By that time, most of the buildings — which had not been designed to last beyond the original exhibition — had deteriorated and were dismantled. Today, the islands that hosted the world exhibition are mainly used as parkland and for recreational use, with only a few remaining structures from EXPO 67 to show that the event was held there. **France**

**Waychison** shared, "the few remaining structures are the former France Pavilion, now hosting the Casino de Montreal, and the



Geodesic Dome, a part of the former United States Pavilion, currently hosting the Montreal Biosphere. Your Editor could not find any information on the "SPORTS INFORMATION SERIES WOOD PIECES" and not sure how MAN AND HIS WORLD would be part of that series.



The last wood your Editor would like to mention from this surprise box, is from Germany, it's quite small and is hand-painted and has a hole drilled at the upper right-hand corner. There are traces of a string that ran through the hole. This is No. 0436 German Winterhilfswerk WHW WW2 wooden pendant Volkswohlfahrt **OBERDONAU** is part of a **12-part series** (other eleven are below). Some of the other woods (plywood plaques) in this German Winterhilfswerk WHW WW2 wooden pendant Volkswohlfahrt 3.5 c 4.5cm) art include: No. 0448 **EGERLAND**; No. 0442 **SÜDBAYERN**; No. 0446 **NIEDERSACHSEN**; and No. 0444 **NIEDERRHEIN**. The others I don't have the series' number, but they include **OSTPREUSSEN**, **ELSASS**, **FRIESLAND**, **MITTELDEUTSCHLAND**, **KARNTEN**, **SCHWARZWALD**, and **SCHLESSEN**. During the Nazi period, the Winter Relief (WHW) gave these as a form of donation receipt. This 1942 collector German Farmhouses series was used

as a fundraiser with the donated receipts going to the Winter Relief Organization 1942 - 1945, including sponsoring the German Police Day and the Armed Forces Day.



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Neil Probert

1981–1983:

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1977–1979:

Victor Hall\*

1975–1977:

Garry Braunwarth

The C.A.W.M.C. was founded on January 1st, 1975, by **Garry Braunwarth** (C-1) (pictured below) and **Victor B. Hall** (C-2) in Calgary, Alberta. In addition to the founders, these are the 43 other original charter members.

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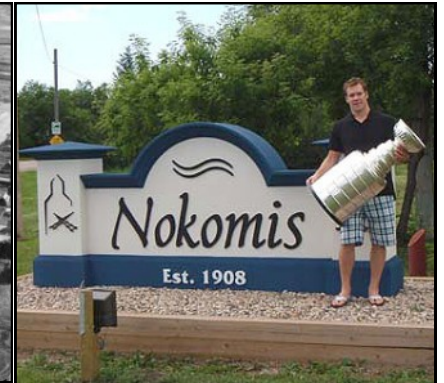
Garry Braunwarth &gt;&gt;&gt;



## Chiefs!

Free Wood of the Month of November 2015 reported by **Ross Kingdon**

Our November 7550-001 wood is 38mm blue / blue Chiefs wood issued to sponsor the Nokomis Chiefs hockey team. There was a second one 7550-002 black / black issued by **Nokomis and Community Credit Union** (formed in 1940, and now called **Affinity Credit Union** which provides District Council funding and sponsorship to local events in Nokomis) but **Al Munro** was unable to get that one. Quantities issued are unknown.



The **Town of Nokomis** (population 436) is located Northeast of the North end of the Last Mountain Lake (established in 1887 as the first bird sanctuary national wildlife area, and is regarded as a wetland of international importance) on Highways 15 and 20 in Saskatchewan. The first homesteads were established around 1904, and the community developed a few years later at the junction of two competing railways as they came through the area 1907-08. August 15, 1908, the community attained town status. The name **Nokomis** (Hiawatha's grandmother in Longfellow's epic poem) had been chosen in 1906 by **Florence Mary Halstead** for a post office she started Southeast of the present town site. By 1916 the town reached a population of 508 (it has hovered in the 430-510 range over the years) and had developed into a substantial service centre for the surrounding agricultural district. Now besides its famous golf courses and bird-watching sanctuary, Nokomis is known for being a hockey town (pond and arena)! Many NHL players come out of Saskatchewan and at least 3 have come from Nokomis.

Kids start out for fun playing pond hockey, then high school hockey, then university hockey or straight into juniors and onward towards their NHL dream. The **Long Lake Hockey League** houses the **Nokomis Chiefs**. The Chiefs start their season in November. Coming up they have a home game Nov. 17 against **Davison Cyclones** in the Nokomis Recreation Centre, then Nov. 18 away game against **Watrous Winderhawks** at the Watrous Arena, followed by home game Nov. 24 again **Lanigan Pirates**, and then away game Nov. 25 against **Drake Canucks** at the Drake Sportsplex. These are all regular season games, not exhibition. Team ties are broken by Best Win Percentage, Most Points, Fewest Games Played, Most Number of Wins, Highest Points For minus Points Against, and Lowest Points Against. The December schedule will be available on their league site shortly.

To learn more or help with a fundraiser or sponsorship, contact [gbedard@sasktel.net](mailto:gbedard@sasktel.net), phone 306-528-2289, or mail Box 332, Nokomis, SK S0G 3R0 Canada.

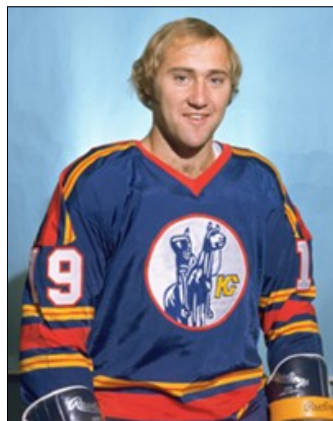
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The Chiefs current active roster is Defence: **Matt Bathgate** #23, **Basil Edwards** #19, **Eric Edwards** #4, **Tim Hendry** #18, and **Brent Norwig** #5; Right-Wings: **Murray Braun** #3, **Jade Hine** #11, **Jefferson Hine** #14, **Evan Shout** #2, **Mitch Strachan** #17, and **Al Howatt** #24; Centers: **Adam Hendry** #22, and **Tanner Shultz** #9; Left-Wings: **Jake McNichol** #21, **Taylor Mutch** #16, **Justin Popadynec** #10, and **Rob Rattai** #15; and Goalies: **Jay Labette** #1, and **Jason Slivenski** #35.

**Elmer James Lach** was born January 22, 1918 in Nokomis, and was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 1966 as a player, Position: Center, and he won three Stanley Cup championships (1944, 1946, 1953). Elmer played his entire 14-year *National Hockey League* career with the *Montreal Canadiens* (1940-1954); and was the center on the club's "Punch Line" with **Toe Blake** and **Maurice Richard**.



Nokomis is 130 kilometres North of Regina, and upon entering you will first see **Al Rahn's Service Centre & 2-Pump Gas Bar** (open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 7 days a week and operated by Rahn family since 1952) which provides you with your first opportunity to take in hockey memorabilia. There are newspaper clippings, signed hockey cards, posters and pictures of the town's sports heroes. The most prominent are **Elmer Lach** (nicknamed "*Nokomis Flash*" recording 215 goals and 408 assists during 664 games), and speedster **Doug Horbul** who enjoyed a lengthy minor-hockey career and played four NHL games with the *Kansas City Scouts*. Then there is the most recent addition, **Jordan Hendry** who signed a free-agent contract with the NHL's *Chicago Blackhawks*. These idols are honored at the Nokomis Recreation Centre too, as well as in the Nokomis Museum. Nokomis is a good place to live, a great place to raise a family.



**Doug George Horbul** was born July 27, 1952 in Nokomis and went on at age 22 to play Forward (Left-Winger) in the 1974-75 *Kansas City Scouts* NHL season. He was drafted by the *New York Rangers* in round 4 of the 1972 NHL Amateur Draft. Despite the brevity of his NHL career, Doug was a fine goal scorer in junior and the minors. Doug split his three-year junior career in the WCHL between the *Saskatoon Blades* and *Calgary Centennials*. He was chosen 63rd overall by the New York Rangers in 1972 after scoring 39 goals for Calgary in his last amateur season. He spent two years in the minors and scored 34 goals for the *Providence Reds* of the AHL in 1973-74. Doug spent two more seasons in the minors then competed for the senior *Trail Smoke Eaters* in 1977-78 before retiring.



**Jordan Hendry** born February 23, 1984 in Nokomis, became a Defence player who shoots left. He played 40 NHL games 2007-2011 (including 2009-2010 NHL playoffs) seasons with the *Chicago Blackhawks*, and the 2012-2013 with *Anaheim Ducks*. In 2002-2006 Jordan played on the *University of Alaska* (Fairbanks) team (CCHA), *Norfolk Admirals* / *Rockford Icehogs* / *Houston Aeros* (AHL) and 2011-2012 played for Swiss team *HC Lugano*,

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## Tang Wooden Tokens

courtesy of **Blue Waters Mint** operated by **Bill Turner** in Cypress, Texas, U.S.A.

Pictured above is the first of the Tang wooden tokens or coins for Pura Palu'e. True to the unique lifestyle and culture of this isolated island is captured beautifully through these coins hand-fashioned from scrap wood, a design burned into the wood by hand one coin at a time, making every one different, then finished with a stain. Other denominations will be offered. The coins are designed and produced by artist Justin Giorgi, who was commissioned by Blue Waters Mint for this project. In short, every coin is purely handmade, totally unique and truly a work of art. Each one is about 30-33mm across with some not perfect circles. Justin said he would number each coin in ink that shows under UV light but I (Bill Turner—pictured below) haven't checked yet.



## Free Spirit Spheres

**Rosey Cowan** of Errington (B.C.) won for this Sheddie. As a result, folks are encourage to share this shed on SocialMedia and other sources. **Rosey's** shed is a sphere that is suspended by ropes up in the forest canopy. Access is by a spiral stairway and a short suspension bridge. The forest canopy is a magical environment and her shed is the perfect compliment.



You can learn more about  
spherical wood treehouses  
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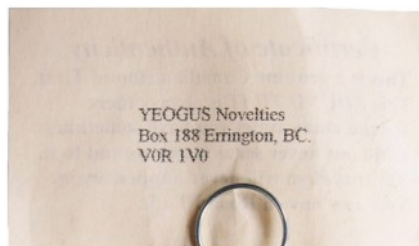


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## Errington Tuit submitted by Eric G. Jensen

While out visiting the mother-in-law in Nanaimo (B.C.), we had to make our traditional run out to Coombs Old Country Market, famous for its goats on the roof, to enjoy an ice-cream cone. While the ladies did some shopping, I took a quick walk to a collectibles shop and found the attached souvenir wood. Errington (B.C.) is on the east side of Vancouver Island, south of Parksville and Qualicum Beach. The wood is 37.8 mm in diameter and 7.1 mm thick, varnished and coloured red and black. The included card is 82 x 47 mm. I do not know if they make the wood in Errington or if they have them made elsewhere and just attach the card. I don't know if there are other similar woods out there, but if so, maybe they could be listed under Canadian Misc. Woods.



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Editor's Note: **Blue Diamond Collectibles Shop** in Nainamo (B.C.) in addition to the round TUIT above, has these interesting wood collectibles too (along with many others): 2 original Rocky Mathias Joe carvings; David Spencer Co. antique clothes wringer made in Vancouver; and a pair of Tequila Distilleries barrels.

